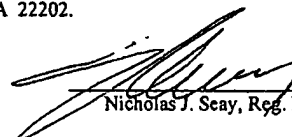


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REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.26

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Dear Sir:

The applicants in the above-identified patent application hereby request a refund of large entity charges made against Deposit Account No. 17-0055 in the amounts of \$36.00 for patent claims in excess of three and \$920.00 for extension of time for three months in the above-noted patent application. Applicants were also charged the correct small entity fees in the amounts of \$18.00 for patent claims in excess of three and \$460.00 for extension of time for three months. The PTO incorrectly charged the undersigned's deposit account for both the small entity fee and the large entity fee. We should not have been charged for both fees in any event.

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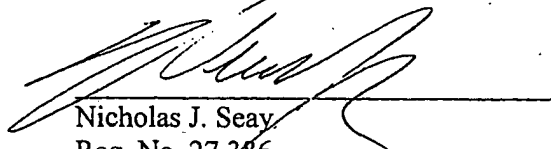
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The applicants hereby assert their entitlement to small entity status as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.27(c)(1). This request for a refund of the total amount of \$956.00 is filed within three months of the date of the timely payment of the full fee. This three month period expires on July 18, 2002.

The correct fees totaling \$478.00 were paid with the Response mailed to the Patent and Trademark Office on April 18, 2002. Applicants hereby request a refund of \$956.00. Please credit the refund to Deposit Account No. 17-0055.

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